



Program Statement

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SUBJECT: Inmate Security
Designation and Custody
Classification

1. **PURPOSE AND SCOPE.** This Program Statement provides policy and procedure regarding the Bureau of Prisons inmate classification system. The classification of inmates is necessary to place each inmate in the most appropriate security level institution that also meets their program needs and is consistent with the Bureau's mission to protect society.

The Bureau's classification, designation and redesignation procedures are consistent with the statutory authority contained in 18 U.S.C. § 3621(b). All classification, designation and redesignation decisions are made without favoritism given to an inmate's social or economic status.

2. **PROGRAM OBJECTIVES.** The expected results of this Program Statement are:

a. Each inmate will be placed in a facility commensurate with their security and program needs through an objective and consistent system of classification which also allows staff to exercise their professional judgement; and,

b. Staff will systematically and objectively review an inmate's classification making the environment in which they are housed safer for both inmates and staff while protecting the public from undue risk.

3. **SUMMARY OF CHANGES.** This revision incorporates Executive Staff decisions 03-04-05 and 99-03-03, as well as other procedural changes such as the movement of most designation/redesignation functions (04-08-17) to the Designation and Sentence Computation Center (DSCC), Grand Prairie, Texas.

a. The scoring item "Type of Prior Commitment" has been replaced with "Criminal History Score." (Chapter 4, Page 8 and Chapter 6, Page 5)

CODE PSF - DESCRIPTION

G Threat to Government Officials. A **male** or **female** inmate classified with a Central Inmate Monitoring assignment of Threat to Government Official will be housed in at least a Low security level institution, unless the PSF has been waived.

H Deportable Alien. A male or female inmate who is not a citizen of the United States. All long-term detainees will have this PSF applied. When applied, the inmate or the long-term detainee shall be housed in at least a Low security level institution.

The PSF shall not be applied, or shall be removed when the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) or the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) have determined that deportation proceedings are unwarranted or there is a finding not to deport at the completion of deportation proceedings. The Institution Hearing Program CMA of NO IHP or IHP CMP ND will then be applied. Additionally, the PSF shall not be applied if the inmate has been naturalized as a United States citizen.

I Sentence Length. A **male** inmate with more than ten years remaining to serve will be housed in at least a Low security level institution unless the PSF has been waived.

A **male** inmate with more than 20 years remaining to serve will be housed in at least a Medium security level institution, unless the PSF has been waived.

A **male** inmate with more than 30 years remaining to serve (including non-parolable LIFE sentences) will be housed in a High security level institution unless the PSF has been waived.

K Violent Behavior. A **female** inmate whose current term of confinement or history involves two convictions (or findings of commission of a prohibited act by the DHO) for serious incidents of violence within the last five years will be assigned to at least a Low security level institution, unless the PSF has been waived.